



Groundbreaking Ceremony

**Richard Sheppard Arnold
United States Courthouse Annex**

**600 West Capitol Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas**

March 11, 2004

Judge Richard Sheppard Arnold

Richard Sheppard Arnold was born in Texarkana, TX, on March 26, 1936. He obtained his bachelor's degree from Yale College in 1957 and graduated *magna cum laude* from Harvard Law School in 1960. He was admitted to the Arkansas Bar in 1960 and the District of Columbia Bar in 1961.

Judge Arnold was a law clerk to Justice William Brennan, U.S. Supreme Court, in 1960 and 1961 and was in private practice from 1962 to 1974. He served as a legislative assistant to Senator Dale Bumpers of Arkansas from 1975 to 1978. In October 1978, he was appointed Judge for the U.S. District Court for the Eastern and Western Districts of Arkansas. He was appointed to the Eighth Circuit in 1980 and elevated to Chief Judge on January 8, 1992. He continued to serve the Eighth Circuit and took Senior Status on April 1, 2001.

Judge Arnold has been recognized for his contributions to the community and legal profession. He received honorary doctor of law degrees from the University of Arkansas, the University of Richmond, and the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. He received the 1996 Environmental Law Institute Award. Other awards include the Award for Service to Women in the Law from the St. Louis Women Lawyers Association in 1998, the Edward J. Devitt Distinguished Service to Justice Award in 1999, and the Meador-Rosenberg Award from the Standing Committee on Federal Judicial Improvements of the American Bar Association in 1999. Judge Arnold is the author of articles in various law reviews, including Harvard, Yale, Virginia, and Arkansas.

Program

Master of Ceremonies

Mr. Scott Armey
Regional Administrator
Greater Southwest Region
U.S. General Services Administration

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Jim Dailey
Little Rock, Arkansas

National Anthem

Ms. Alana Hensley

Remarks

Mr. Leighton Waters
Former Deputy Regional Administrator
Greater Southwest Region
U.S. General Services Administration

Judge Susan Webber Wright
Chief Judge, United States District Court
Eastern District of Arkansas

Judge Richard Sheppard Arnold
Senior Judge, United States Court
of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit

Groundbreaking and
Closing Remarks

Mr. Armey